

Article - Health Occupations

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(a) The Committee consists of seven members appointed by the Board as follows:

- (1) Three respiratory care practitioners;
- (2) Three physicians:
 - (i) One of whom is a specialist in thoracic surgery;
 - (ii) One of whom is a specialist in pulmonary medicine; and
 - (iii) One of whom is a specialist in anesthesiology; and
- (3) One consumer member.

(b) The consumer member of the Committee:

- (1) Shall be a member of the general public;
- (2) May not be or ever have been:
 - (i) A respiratory care practitioner;
 - (ii) Any health care professional; or
 - (iii) In training to be a respiratory care practitioner or other health professional; and
- (3) May not:
 - (i) Participate or ever have participated in a commercial or professional field related to respiratory care;
 - (ii) Have a household member who participates in a commercial or professional field related to respiratory care;
 - (iii) Have had within 2 years before appointment a financial interest in a person regulated by the Board; or

(iv) Have had within 2 years before appointment a financial interest in the provision of goods or services to respiratory care practitioners or to the field of respiratory care.

(c) (1) The term of a member is 3 years.

(2) The terms of members are staggered.

(3) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(4) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(d) (1) From among its members, the Committee shall elect a chair once every 2 years.

(2) The chair, or the chair's designee, shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Board as a representative of the Committee.

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